

Agenda Item: VII.

DATE: April 15, 2004

SUBJECT: *Geier* Status Report

ACTION RECOMMENDED: Information

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Staff will brief the Commission on activities concerning the *Geier* Consent Decree. The decree, executed in January 2001, provides for a number of initiatives to be undertaken over a five-year period. There is continuing progress in identifying and ultimately approving new programs at Tennessee State University as well as action on funding for renovation of the TSU Williams Downtown Campus. Commission staff will address these and other recent developments in the implementation of the decree.